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## **Glacier National Park Information Sheet - May 2014**

### **Going-to-the-Sun Road – 2014: Top 10 Things You Need to Know**

1. Glacier National Park is open year-round. Most visitor services and facilities are open May through September; however, autumn/winter/spring non-motorized recreation opportunities and primitive camping are available year round.
2. The Going-to-the-Sun Road, the first American roadway designated both a National Historic Landmark and a National Civil Engineering Landmark, began a multi-year rehabilitation in 2007. This project is a collaboration between the Federal Highway Administration, the National Park Service and Glacier National Park following concerns that this landmark road was in serious need of rehabilitation in order to preserve it for future generations. Accelerated night work and Shoulder season work (after mid-September and before mid-June) cause short-term impacts to the smallest numbers of park visitors.
3. The majority of the “Alpine” portion of the Road (Loop to Siyeh Bend) has undergone a facelift and reconstruction of numerous structural deficiencies. Last year marked the completion of the west side segment along McDonald Creek above Avalanche. Visitor use facilities including turnouts, parking areas, overlooks and adjacent trails have also been rehabilitated and/or added. This year construction will focus on a 9 mile section west of Rising Sun. Construction this year is only on the east side of Logan Pass.
4. Short traffic delays will occur in the construction zones between Siyeh Bend and Rising Sun. Expect some one-lane directional travel and no more than a 30 minute total delay from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. for a one-way trip across the entire road. Night delays are not expected, however, if they occur, information will be advertised and signed in advance of the actual closure. In the event of a night closure, the restricted area would be between Logan Pass and Rising Sun.
5. Schedules for the multi-year rehabilitation call for opening lower elevations in the spring as weather and work permits and opening the alpine section over Logan Pass from mid-June to mid-September. In 2014, the earliest the road will open is 7 a.m. Friday, June 20. Once open, the entire Sun Road will be open through 7 a.m. Sunday, September 22, weather permitting.
6. Regardless of reconstruction on the Sun Road, access to Logan Pass ends every year no later than the Monday following the third full weekend of October (October 20, 2014), weather permitting. Should snow storms and hazardous driving conditions prompt temporary closures prior to the projected October closure date, every effort will be made to reopen to Logan Pass as conditions permit.
7. More information about the Sun Road rehabilitation project and other visitor services is available at <http://www.wfl.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/gtsr/>. To receive email updates about the Going-to-the-Sun Road project, please email a request to [gtsr@mail.wfl.fhwa.dot.gov](mailto:gtsr@mail.wfl.fhwa.dot.gov).
8. For 2014, the Sun Road transit system operates July 1 through September 7 from 7a.m. to 7p.m. Information and shuttles can be found at visitor/transit centers at Apgar and St. Mary after entering the park from either West Glacier or St. Mary.
9. An east-side hiker shuttle is also available for a fee. Guided park tours are available from park concessioners via boat, bus, foot and horse. For details, visit [www.nps.gov/glac/planyourvisit/outdooractivities.htm](http://www.nps.gov/glac/planyourvisit/outdooractivities.htm).
10. Public scoping was completed on the Going-to-the-Sun Road Corridor Management Plan and EIS in September 2013. We received 156 comment letters and held 10 open houses in Canada and around the state of Montana. 283 comments were gathered from these events. Over the next year we will consider all the comments received as we develop alternatives. A Newsletter has been prepared that summarizes all the comments received. This will be released shortly. Please visit <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/glac> for more information.

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